

REMARKS

Claims 36-55 are pending, with claims 36 and 47 being independent. Claims 1-35 have been cancelled and claims 36-55 have been added by this amendment. The combination of features recited by claims 36-55 distinguishes over the references of record. In view of the present amendments and remarks, reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Replacement sheets for Figures 2, 3, and 4 are provided and correspond to the proposed drawing correction and/or proposed substitute sheets of drawings that were approved by the Examiner in the office action mailed May 29, 2003.

35 U.S.C. § 102(e) Schindler Rejection

Claims 1, 4, 5, 7, 10, 12, 13, 15-18, and 26-35 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Schindler (U.S. Patent No. 6,081,830). This rejection is obviated by the cancellation of claims 1, 4, 5, 7, 10, 12, 13, 15-18, and 26-35.

35 U.S.C. § 103(a) Schindler / Moncreiff Rejection

Claims 2, 6, and 11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Schindler in view of Moncreiff (U.S. Patent No. 5,828,839). This rejection is obviated by the cancellation of claims 2, 6, and 11.

35 U.S.C. § 103(a) Schindler / Trovato Rejection

Claims 8 & 9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Schindler in view of Trovato (U.S. Patent No. 6,425,012). This rejection is obviated by the cancellation of claims 8 & 9.

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Applicant asks that all claims be examined in view of the amendment to the claims.

Enclosed is a \$110.00 check for the Petition for Extension of Time fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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